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1 U.S. Attorney General Jeff Sessions traveled to the U.S.-Mexico border on Tuesday to make his case for increased prosecutions of illegal immigrants, pressuring U.S. attorneys to prioritize cases against criminal migrants. Sessions, a longtime proponent of tougher immigration enforcement, told U.S. Customs and Border Protection agents at the Port of Nogales, Arizona, that more illegal migrants should be

prosecuted as criminals. It is normally the role of the Secretary of Homeland Security to meet border agents. But Sessions made the visit to highlight his focus on enforcing federal laws as dozens of U.S. cities try to shield illegal immigrants from stepped-up prosecution and deportation efforts. REUTERS

N.KOREA WARNS OF NUKE STRIKE IF US PROVOKES

2 North Korean state media warned on Tuesday of a nuclear attack on the United States at any sign of American aggression as a U.S. Navy strike group steamed toward the western Pacific. President Donald Trump, who has urged China to do more to rein in its impoverished ally and neighbor, said in a tweet that North Korea was "looking for trouble" and the United States would "solve the problem" with or without Beijing's help. Tension has escalated sharply on the Korean peninsula amid concerns that reclusive North Korea may soon conduct a sixth nuclear test and after Washington said at the weekend it was diverting the aircraft carrier strike group Carl Vinson toward the Korean peninsula in a show of force. REUTERS

TRUMP PROMISES REVAMP OF WALL STREET RULES

3 President Donald Trump told a group of chief executives that his administration was reducing regulations and revamping the Wall Street reform law known as Dodd-Frank, which might be eliminated and replaced with "something else." "We're going to reduce taxes, we're going to eliminate wasteful regulations," Trump said at a meeting attended by corporate leaders and members

of his cabinet. Last week he said officials were planning a "major haircut" for the regulations. "For the bankers in the room, they'll be very happy because we're really doing a major streamlining and, perhaps, elimination, and replacing it with something else," Trump said. REUTERS

SPICER SPARKS OUTCRY BY COMPARING ASSAD TO HITLER

4 White House spokesman Sean Spicer triggered an uproar on Tuesday by saying Adolf Hitler did not use chemical weapons. He apologized after his comments drew immediate criticism on social media and elsewhere for overlooking the fact that millions of Jews were killed in Nazi gas chambers.

Spicer made the assertion at a daily news briefing, during a discussion about the April 4 chemical weapons attack in Syria that killed 87 people. Washington has blamed the attack on the government of Syrian President Bashar al-Assad.

"You had someone as despicable as Hitler who didn't even sink to using chemical weapons," Spicer said when asked about Russia's alliance with the Syrian government.

The Nazis murdered six million Jews during World War II. Many Jews as well as others were killed in gas chambers in European concentration camps.

When a reporter asked Spicer if he wanted to clarify his comments, he said: "I think when you come to sarin gas, there was no, he was not using the gas on his own people the same way that Assad is doing."

Later on Tuesday, Spicer apologized and said he should not have made that comparison.

Spicer's assertion, made during the Jewish holiday of Passover, sparked instant outrage on social media and from some Holocaust memorial groups who accused him of minimizing Hitler's crimes. REUTERS GETTY IMAGES

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WAL-MART CONTINUES CUT OF CORPORATE JOBS

5 Wal-Mart Stores Inc. is eliminating more corporate jobs this month, the Wall Street Journal reported on Tuesday, citing people familiar with the matter. The latest round of job cuts will involve "hundreds" of positions in Wal-Mart's international and technology businesses along with its warehouse chain, Sam's Club, according to the report. Wal-Mart's job cuts started in 2016 when the retailer said it was eliminating 7,000 back office positions and moving more of its workforce to the sales floor. Earlier this year, Wal-Mart cut 1,200 corporate jobs mostly in human resources even as it continued to invest in its e-commerce operations. Wal-Mart did not immediately respond to a Reuters request seeking comment. REUTERS

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Getting their clients a paw in the door

New York is also the center of the animal talent agency world, where firms book work for dogs, butterflies, camels and rodents.

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"Baby Beans," a Bullmastiff, at All Creatures Great & Small animal talent agency in White Plains, New York. At left, Cat Long, a specialist and trainer; and at right, Susan Luftman, the dog's owner. AMY RUSSO

Forget tall and skinny. Kate Spade's newest model is a short and stout wet-nosed furball with four legs. At the tender age of 2, Udi has gotten her paw in the door of the fashion world, having caught the eye of an animal talent agency looking for a canine to showcase the luxury fashion label's new line of handbags.

The agency, Pawsitively Famous of New Jersey, already represents a number of animal actors, including such luminaries as the Aflac Duck, which now has its own Twitter account.

Udi got her start when owner Tracy DeBarnadis sent headshots to Pawsitively Famous. DeBarnadis called her petite French Bulldog "a natural. She's very good at it. She's a great little modeler and she's very cooperative."

But would she measure up to the standards of Dawn Wolfe, owner of Pawsitively Famous? Wolfe took one look at Udi and knew the black and white pooch was perfect for Kate Spade. The animal talent agency mostly goes into Manhattan for photo shoots.

And Wolfe should know. She has spent years developing a curated online database of camera-ready pets with her stamp of approval. Clients have included a Noah's Ark of dogs, cats, birds, farm animals, horses, reptiles and rodents.

Animal talent agencies have steadily grown over the years, with about 50 scattered throughout the country and around a dozen in New York City. The pay ranges, but typically an owner receives about $200 to $400 a day for the pet's hard work, Wolfe said. Once the animal becomes a star, that number skyrockets. "Benji" is considered to be the highest-paid animal actor ever.

> *"We do everything from butterflies to camels."*
> Cat Long

But much like its human counterpart, animal showbiz can be a dog-eat-dog world.

"It is actually very competitive," said Cat Long, a specialist and trainer at All Creatures Great & Small of White Plains, New York.

The firm is inundated with photos from pet owners, and the agencies themselves compete aggressively for talent. All Creatures recently supplied the dogs for a New York Lottery commercial, and just received a request for an ad in which cats will sit on moving roombas, the popular self-operating robotic vacuums. "We do everything from butterflies to camels," Long said.

Last week, staffers studied the newest canine candidate, Baby Beans. A 125-pound Bullmastiff, Baby Beans was asked to sit, stay and interact with trainers to prove he had an agreeable temperament before he could be considered for a project. The dog passed with flying colors.

Does your pet have what it takes?

The animal talent scouting process begins with a preliminary pet interview. During that period, owners bring their animals in for obedience testing and a behavioral exam to determine whether it can cooperate on set.

The animal must be comfortable around the noise, the lights and the need to reshoot scenes, if the gig involves film or video.

For dogs, far more is required, according to Hollywood paws.com animal training agency. The company offers a handy guide for owners who think they have the perfect pooch for show business. The American Kennel Club's 10-step Canine Good Citizenship test is a good measure, according to Hollywood Paws.

Much has changed in the decades since she started All Creatures, said Ruth Manecke, Long's mother. But two essential elements are still required of their clients, whether it be a parrot or a pug, a monkey or a marmot: It has to have a cute face and a good attitude.

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Experts see correlation between rise in STDs and popularity of dating apps

Young people have more STDs than ever before, says CDC.

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Over 1.5 million people dated last week thanks to dating app Tinder, according to company stats.

It's hard to say how many of them took it further than first base, but public health officials say one thing is certain: Dating apps are quickly becoming the primary way partners connect.

The rise of online dating has correlated with another more disturbing trend: STD rates are also very much on the rise in the United States.

The total combined cases of chlamydia, gonorrhea and syphilis reported in 2015, the most recent year for which data are available, rose to the highest numbers ever in the U.S., according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

In two of three cases, the increases hit double digits: Syphilis cases increased by 19 percent, gonorrhea by almost 13 percent, and chlamydia by nearly 6 percent compared to the prior year.

When you add herpes and HPV to the mix, the CDC estimates as much as one-third of the U.S. population has an STD at any given time.

The hardest hit? Young people and gay men.

"We have reached a decisive moment for the nation," Dr. Jonathan Mermin, director of CDC's National Center for HIV/AIDS, Viral Hepatitis, STD, and TB Prevention, said in a statement. "STD rates are rising, and many of the country's systems for preventing STDs have eroded. We must mobilize, rebuild and expand services — or the human and economic burden will continue to grow."

Health officials in several states and at least one study have pinpointed internet-assisted dating as causing a 15.9 percent spike in reported HIV cases. The 2014 study, "Internet's Dirty Secret: Assessing the Impact of Online Intermediaries on HIV Transmission," looked at data in 33 states from 1999 to 2008 and concluded Craigslist personal ads were to blame for the increase.

"Our study results suggest that there is a new social route of HIV transmission that is taking place in this digital era," the report says.

STD rates among Massachusetts residents trail national averages, but just barely, and Kevin Cranston, the state Health Department assistant commissioner, called the Bay State's rise in STD cases "very concerning."

The rise of dating apps like Tinder and Grindr is concurrent with increases in reported cases of STDS, Cranston said.

"It's arguable dating apps are a cause, but whether it leads to more sex, anonymous sex or condomless sex is hard to answer," he said.

Requests for comment to Grindr and Tinder were not immediately answered Tuesday.

For more information about STD in the state visit Metro.us.

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Blasts hit Borussia Dortmund soccer team's bus, leaving player hurt

Borussia Dortmund's team bus was attacked with explosives on Tuesday shortly before the start of their Champions League clash with AS Monaco, injuring defender Marc Bartra and forcing the match to be postponed by a day.

German police said on Tuesday they did not know who was behind the attack, in which three explosions went off at 7:15 p.m. near the hotel where the team was staying, but said the team appeared to be the target.

Prosecutors said a letter had been found near the scene of the blast, but declined to give details of its contents and said it was not clear whether it was authentic.

"At this time, it is still not clear what the real background to this act is," Dortmund police chief Gregor Lange told a late night news conference in the western German city.

Police escort Dortmund's defender Sven Bender. GETTY IMAGES

Police earlier said there had been no risk to the Signal Iduna Park stadium, the largest in Germany, holding more than 80,000 fans, where the first leg of the quarter-final of Europe's top club soccer competition was due to have been played.

Lange said police assumed the team bus was deliberately targeted in the attack as it left the team hotel on the way to the stadium.

The devices were placed in a bush alongside the street, Bild newspaper reported, without giving a source. A police spokesman had earlier said "the explosive devices were placed outside the bus".

Windows on the bus were broken but the damage was limited.

Dortmund police said earlier on Twitter: "After the initial investigation, we assume that this was an attack using serious explosives."

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Lawyers working at Guantanamo sue Pentagon over cancer risk

Sunrise over Camp Delta Guantanamo Bay, Cuba GETTY IMAGES

Four lawyers who work at the Guantanamo Bay prison on Tuesday sued the U.S. Department of Defense, claiming it has exposed them to elevated risks of cancer and other health problems by forcing them to work in contaminated areas.

The complaint said the U.S. Navy has not properly investigated whether environmental hazards at the Camp Justice complex were linked to nine cancer cases since its 2008 opening.

By insisting that the complex is safe despite the known presence of "carcinogenic substances" such as formaldehyde and mercury, the Navy has left lawyers with the "untenable" choice between preserving their health and defending their clients, the complaint said.

A Pentagon spokesman said the Defense Department does not discuss pending litigation.

The complaint was filed in the federal court in Washington by Army Major Matthew Seeger, and civilian lawyers Cheryl Bormann, Edwin Perry and Michael Schwartz.

All represent Walid Bin Attash, a Yemeni man and suspected al Qaeda training camp leader charged with helping plot the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks on New York's World Trade Center and the Pentagon outside Washington.

The lawyers are seeking an injunction requiring the Defense Department to provide accommodations that protect them from the "known and unknown risks" of living and working at Camp Justice.

The complex is on the site of a former airfield, and includes temporary housing known as Cuzcos, essentially trailers, where lawyers live and work, the complaint said.

Three of the nine cancer victims have died, including Navy Lieutenant Commander Bill Kuebler at age 44 in July 2015, the complaint added. REUTERS

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New Hampshire top court upholds ban on 'Animal House' fraternity

The frat was accused in 2015 of branding pledges with the club's letters.

The Alpha Delta fraternity near the Dartmouth College campus inspired one of the writers of the "Animal House" movie. GETTY IMAGES

New Hampshire's top court on Tuesday upheld a lower court's decision banning the fraternity that inspired the movie "Animal House" from living in its house near Dartmouth College campus after the school decertified the group for branding its members.

Dartmouth officials revoked recognition of the Alpha Delta fraternity's charter in 2015 after an investigation concluded that members had branded 11 new pledges with the club's letters, as part of an "overtly condoned and long-standing practice."

That decision suspended the exemptions in local laws that allowed the 12 to 18 members to live in the fraternity house, and prompted officials in the town of Hanover, where Dartmouth is located, to order the house shut down as it was in violation of local zoning laws.

The saga evoked the 1978 comedy "National Lampoon's Animal House" starring John Belushi in which an angry university dean kicks out an unruly fraternity. The story for that film was inspired by one of the writers' experiences being initiated into Alpha Delta.

While the fictional fraternity takes revenge on the university by unleashing a custom-made "Deathmobile" to wreak havoc in the school's annual homecoming parade, the real-life fraternity sued Hanover.

It argued the town had no jurisdiction over its house, which it said dates to the 1840s and was "grandfathered in" as housing for students of the Ivy League college. A lower court rejected that argument, setting the stage for review by the state Supreme Court.

A Dartmouth spokeswoman said the school was "pleased" that the top court had upheld the decision. An attorney for the fraternity did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

Universities have increasingly become intolerant of rowdier fraternities, linking them to problems including binge drinking and sexual assault on campus. For their part, fraternity organizations argue that they provide valuable student housing, leadership experience and promote charitable giving. REUTERS

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Tillerson heads to Moscow carrying Western call for Russia to abandon Assad

The administration of President Donald Trump was thrust into confrontation with Moscow last week when a poison gas attack in northern Syria killed 87 people.

U.S. Secretary of State Rex Tillerson carried a message from world powers to Moscow on Tuesday denouncing Russian support for Syria's Bashar al-Assad, as the Trump administration took on America's traditional mantle as leader of a unified West.

Tillerson flew on the administration's first cabinet mission to Russia after meeting foreign ministers from the Group of Seven advanced economies and Middle Eastern allies in Italy. They endorsed a joint call for Russia to abandon Assad.

Western countries blame President Assad for the gas attack, and Trump responded by firing cruise missiles at a Syrian air base. Russian President Vladimir Putin has stood firmly by Moscow's ally Assad, who denies blame.

"It is clear to us the reign of the Assad family is coming to an end," Tillerson told reporters in Italy before departing for Moscow. "We hope that the Russian government concludes that they have aligned themselves with an unreliable partner in Bashar Al-Assad."

He said Russia had failed in its role as sponsor of a 2013 deal under which Assad promised to give up his chemical arsenal.

"These agreements stipulated Russia as the guarantor of a Syria free of chemical weapons," Tillerson said.

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>
> Tillerson

U.S. Secretary of State Rex Tillerson steps out of a plane upon his arrival in Moscow's Vnukovo airport on Tuesday in Moscow, Russia. GETTY IMAGES

"It is unclear whether Russia failed to take this obligation seriously and whether Russia has been incompetent. But this distinction doesn't much matter to the dead. We can't let this happen again."

Russia says the chemicals that killed civilians belonged to rebels, not to Assad's government, and has accused the United States of an illegal act of aggression against Syria on a phoney pretext. Putin said on Tuesday he believed Washington planned to launch more missile strikes, and that rebels were planning to stage chemical weapons attacks to provoke them.

"We have information that a similar provocation is being prepared ... in other parts of Syria including in the southern Damascus suburbs where they are planning to again plant some substance and accuse the Syrian authorities of using [chemical weapons]," Putin said, standing alongside Italian President Sergio Matarella who was in Moscow for talks.

Putin said Moscow would urgently ask the United Nations chemical weapons watchdog to investigate last week's incident. Western countries have dismissed Russian suggestions that the poison gas belonged to rebels as beyond credibility.

"Russia's allegations fit with a pattern of deflecting blame from the [Syrian] regime and attempting to undermine the credibility of its opponents," a White House official said.

The United States, Britain and France have proposed a revised draft resolution to the 15-member U.N. Security Council that is similar to a text they circulated last week pushing Syria's government to cooperate with investigators, diplomats said. REUTERS

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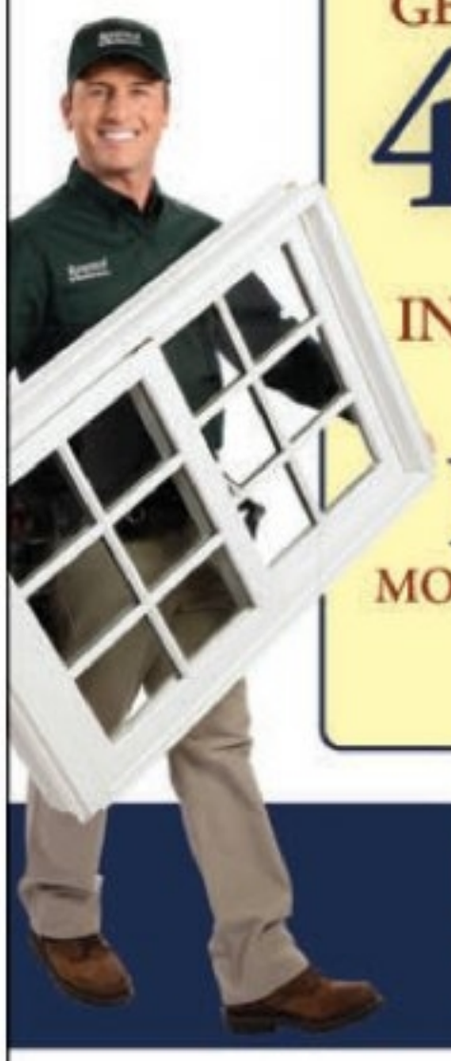

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An Old English Sheepdog named Super licks an ice cream.

A Pomeranian named Neron gets a special treat at an ice cream parlor targetting a canine clientele, in Mexico City. ALL PHOTOS BY GETTY IMAGES

"I come [here] to pamper him a bit."
Liliana

"To eat the same food every day must be pretty boring for them," customer Liliana said, holding an ice cream lollipop for her dog. "I come [here] to pamper him a bit."

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Police probe motives behind fatal classroom shooting

Police officers stand guard at North Park Elementary School following a shooting in San Bernardino, California. GETTY IMAGES

Relatives of a school teacher shot dead by her husband in a San Bernardino, California, classroom have told investigators the slaying capped a brief, turbulent marriage and breakup marked by accusations of infidelity and threats, police said on Tuesday.

Police also revealed that surveillance video showed the shooter initially had tried to get into the school through a locked door, forcing him to gain entry instead by way of the front office, where he signed in and was allowed free access to the classroom by staff who recognized him.

School employees, however, were apparently unaware of the marital discord believed to have led the gunman, an unemployed former pastor and maintenance worker, to fatally shoot his estranged wife, Karen Elaine Smith, and an 8-year-old student in front of their class before reloading his revolver and killing himself.

The slain student and another boy hit by gunfire happened to be just behind Smith and were believed to be unintentional victims. The second child, aged 9, though badly wounded, was expected to survive. He remained hospitalized on Tuesday.

The shooting at North Park Elementary, the latest of dozens of U.S. schools traumatized by armed intruders in recent years, reopened debate about what educators can do to safeguard students against mounting gun violence.

It was especially wrenching for San Bernardino, the "Inland Empire" town about 65 miles east of Los Angeles where a shooting rampage 15 months ago left 14 people dead and more than 20 wounded at an office holiday party.

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Chris Evans gives Tom Brady a pass

Chris Evans has been very vocal about his distaste for Donald Trump's presidency. When Trump was elected, the conventionally attractive and very sensitive dude-bro found the power within himself to express how he felt in 138 characters: "This is an embarrassing night for America," he wrote. "We've let a hatemonger lead our great nation. We've let a bully set our course. I'm devastated."

But Evans, like so many other white men who star in Marvel-based franchises, is not perfect. So the "Gifted" actor told USA Today that if anyone should be excused for voting for Trump, it should be Tom Brady. I'm sorry, what now?

"I know actors get grief for having their opinions shared," the 35-year-old said. "That's not going to stop me from expressing what I think and feel." OK, fine. But what else, Evans?

"We may have political disagreements. But I don't want to encourage this landscape of, if you disagree with me politically, you're my enemy. That's not the case. That's easy to say as a privileged white male." Ooh, buzzwords! He must know I can't resist when a man attempts to reckon with his privilege. "I'm just going out of my way to give Tom Brady a pass. He gave me five rings. What am I supposed to do? He gets a pass." Oh, honey, no.

Brady — who is the kind of man who has a baby cockroach named after him — reportedly thought it would be "great" if Donald Trump was elected president. He also participates in a sport where players suffer multiple concussions and head injuries throughout their careers. So, uh, what's Chris Evans' excuse?

Janet Jackson is about to be even richer post-divorce

Janet Jackson's soon to be ex-husband is rich. And now, Janet Jackson — who isn't doing too bad herself — is about to get richer. More details are emerging about Jackson and Wissam Al Mana's split; and it looks like the pop icon could get as much as $200 million from her divorce. But I can assure you, it's not about the money.

Page Six has the dirt — according to a source, the divorce from the "filthy rich Qatari businessman" would make the 50-year-old Jackson even richer under the terms of her prenup. Al Mana, who owns the imaginatively named Al Mana Group, has holdings in cars, real estate, retail, tech and other ventures. "She was entitled to $100 million if they stayed married for at least five years. … The prenup also calls for that $100 million payment to be doubled if they have a child." But a longtime security guard for the Jackson family says even though it looks like a grab for money, it's not. Janet Jackson just isn't the wife type. "She's never been in a relationship too long. … Marriage doesn't agree with her. She doesn't agree with marriage."

The Richest estimates that while Al Mana is worth $1 billion, Jackson is worth "a mere $150 million," which is like, $150 million more than anybody I know is worth.

Jemima Kirke was a 'problem drinker'

Despite attending rehab programs, Jemima Kirke — better known as Jessa Johansson on HBO's "Girls" — doesn't consider herself an addict. Instead of using those vices as a way to repress her feelings, she uses and recognizes them as tools. Why didn't I think about that? Kirke opened up on the podcast "Recover Girl" about her relationship with alcohol and why she doesn't think the word "addict" suits her very well. "I didn't relate to [AA's] psychic need for the alcohol," she said according to E! Online. "I recognized it as a tool, and I know how to use it as a tool. … It's a problem more than addiction. I just was a problem drinker and user, and I liked to party," the 31-year-old said. Ultimately she was kicked out of both rehab facilities she attended, with her therapist there telling her she always played the victim. And while I don't want to belittle Kirke's experience at all, I am tempted to make some sort of sarcastic comment about a person who stars on "Girls" exhibiting entitled behavior. But I won't! Besides, I think most of us would love to be able to get away with calling a booze-induced night of shenanigans just a casual night of just "usin' my tools." Color me jealous.

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Defending his life

Legendary filmmaker Walter Hill doesn't think his controversial film "The Assignment" is transphobic.

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Walter Hill knows "The Assignment" is controversial. Since premiering at the Toronto International Film Festival last fall — hell, even while it was being shot — the latest from the legendary filmmaker ("The Warriors," "48 Hrs.," also "Deadwood") has been a magnet for outrage pieces, which have accused the film of being transphobic.

The plot? Michelle Rodriguez plays a very macho and very male hit man named Frank Kitchen who's kidnapped, drugged and surgically given female parts by a vengeful mad scientist (Sigourney Weaver).

Hill didn't go into "The Assignment" to attract scandal. For him, it's just another of his lurid potboilers, not a commentary on trans people. Besides, technically its anti-hero isn't even trans. Frank may have swapped gender parts, but he still identifies as male.

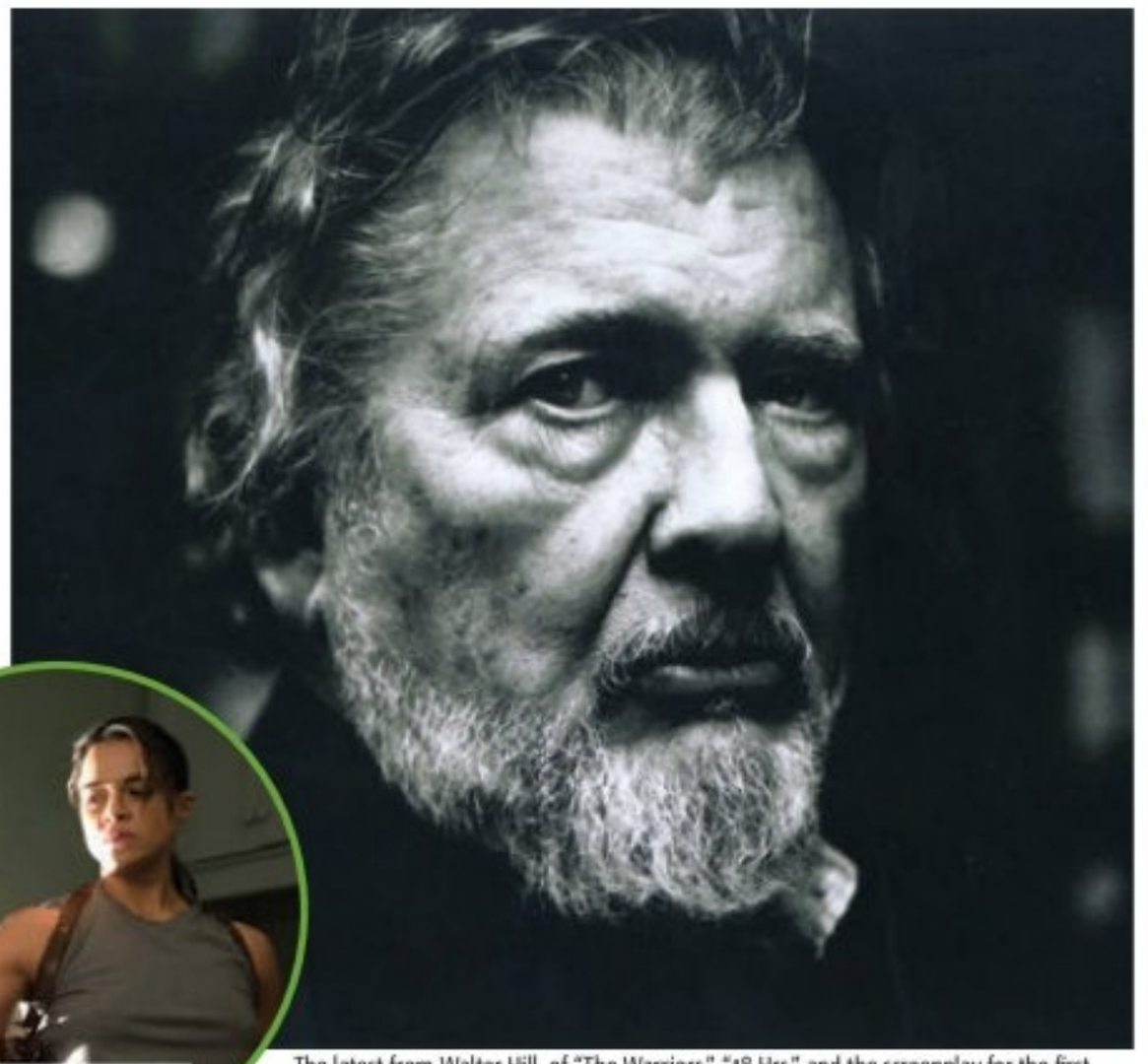
"I don't think it has anything to do with that subject," the 75-year-old filmmaker tells us. When the pitchforks first came out, Hill was asked to issue a statement. He declined. "I just said, 'The movie will be my defense.' And it is. Although I guess I'm conducting a defense at the moment."

He's talking about it now, though, with a mixture of pride and trepidation, a little weary from being raked over the coals. He tries to choose his words carefully, but it's clear what irks him isn't an era when we're newly sensitive to trans portrayals. He's annoyed that people jumped to wild assumptions before the film was even completed.

"I think people who have not seen something and attack it — a book, a movie or whatever — that's pretty flimsy intellectual ground to be standing on," Hill says. "I don't think it's very conducive to brilliant dialogue on the subject. It doesn't open up an interesting debate to me.

"I'm not a comfortable polemicist by nature. I'm a storyteller and a movie guy," he says.

If "The Assignment" is critical of anything, it's of masculinity, with Frank suddenly the recipient of physical and sexual abuse by the lesser gender.



Michelle Rodriguez in "The Assignment" SABAN FILMS

The latest from Walter Hill, of "The Warriors," "48 Hrs." and the screenplay for the first "Alien," is "The Assignment," in theaters and on VOD. NICOLAS ASPROUX

"One of the reasons I wanted to do this thing is I got tired of everybody telling me I was really good with guys and macho bulls—," explains Hill. "I always said my movies were anti-macho, but nobody ever noticed it."

Looking back on "Alien"

The majority of Hill's films revolve around man's men. Then again, Hill also co-wrote the first "Alien" (as well as the third), which means he helped create the pioneer of the blockbuster female badass, Ellen Ripley, played by Hill's "Assignment" co-star Sigourney Weaver. ("The Assignment" is surely one of the strangest movie reunions ever.)

"We thought ["Alien"] worked much stronger with a female lead— that having the alien versus a woman was a much more terrifying situation than it would have been with a big, tough, macho guy," Hill recalls.

And yet Hill hasn't been involved with the franchise since 1992's "Alien 3." His name's still on them all, including the forthcoming "Alien: Covenant," for contractual reasons.

"Most of them, I haven't read the scripts and in many cases not even seen the films," Hill remarks. "If the new one is wonderful, I'm sorry to say I had nothing to do with it. And if it's a terrible flop, it's not my fault."

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Anna Chlumsky: Amy is better off without Selina

In "Veep" Season 6, our favorite enraged staffer goes west.

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Anna Chlumsky plays the most intense and quietly hilarious character on "Veep": Amy Brookheimer. The steely-faced, seething right hand woman to Selina Meyer (Julia Louis-Dreyfus) powers through each day in Washington with a death stare and a mouth full of zingers, providing comedy in her repressed rage.

But a few things have changed in the world of the HBO political satire, which airs its sixth season on Sunday, April 16. At Season 5's close, Meyer loses her presidential bid. She and most of her staff depart Washington, pursuing new callings a safe distance from Meyer's web (except for her personal aides Richard Splett [Sam Richardson] and Gary Walsh [Tony Hale], the latter who has become even more fawning postcampaign, helping Selina fill her newfound downtime with late night games of backgammon).

Our girl Amy gets as far away as she can, heading to Nevada with fiance Buddy Calhoun to run his campaign for governor. But neither the location change, nor the advancing romance do much in the way of mellowing out the wound-up workaholic.

"Her Nevada trip and her Buddy trip are very much a, 'Wherever you go, there you are,'" says the 36-year-old Chicago native. "She's still very much herself, with all of her baggage and venom, it's just channeled differently. I don't know if the desert is the best place for Amy," she jokes.

Do you see Selina and Amy reconnecting?

Personally, I definitely think Amy's better off without Selina. [Laughs] They're certainly enablers of each other's professional addictions, as it were. We find out pretty quickly that they kind of can't stay away from each other. Even in the first or second episodes, they've kept up this kind of adorable phone relationship.

Anna Chlumsky plays Amy Brookheimer on "Veep." Season 6 airs Sunday, April 16 on HBO. HBO/LACEY TERRELL

Does the 2016 election at all work its way into Season 6?

It doesn't, just in that, it's a math problem: Our show is not live. Not in the sense that "The Daily Show" can see what's happening in the news and then talk about it that night. We started writing it summer last year and shooting in September; there were maybe two months of shooting postelection, but the season was already written.

We satirize politics in its most generality. We like to explore how ridiculous people behave when faced with power dynamics. That plays out in a political realm and in personal politics and that's why I think it can be timeless and people can relate to it.

So many "Veep" storylines have been predictive or eerily relevant. Viewers have often tried to compare Selina to Hillary, and now with

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Selina losing the election and navigating life post-Washington, it's harder not to.

We had a debacle with State Department gifts once, and that certainly was inspired by a Hillary moment. Everything is rife for satire. Sometimes there is a gaffe on "Meet the Press" that shapes policies; sometimes there are hostage crises that you have to keep under wraps; sometimes an administration is dishonest with an intelligence committee! [Laughs]

We have an election episode this year, we were actually shooting it during the 2016 election. The disreputable candidate pulls ahead, and we were like, "Oh my God, I can't believe this is happening!" If you deal enough in the stories of politics, they come back to haunt you. [Laughs]

Do you think the humor of the show will read differently now that we have a joke in office?

What's different now is people can't help but buy into our cynicism. In the beginning of our series, that was one of the critiques people would have of the show: "People aren't like that in politics." And we'd always be like, 'Are you kidding?' American culture was still idealizing its politics when we first began. I think the lid's been way blown off by what's happened. I certainly think that our tone is way more accepted at this point. Of course, those in the know and with any brains always accepted our tone. [Laughs] Now everybody's in on it.

What would you hope for Amy's future?

[Laughs] It's a great question, because she's just so unhappy. I think her dream would be to be the undisputed boss. She just wants to be winning all the time. She could be the CEO of a supersuccessful, fast-growing company. The problem is she's addicted to politics and I think that's what clouds her judgment when it comes to Selina. Honestly, she was the happiest when we met her — she was a year into being the chief of staff [to the Veep], and that was kind of her peak. She's just been falling since then. [Laughs]

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Do you feel akin to Amy at all?

You can't be with somebody this long and be completely removed from them. There are certainly parallels as far as what she's going through as a female in [her] 30s, like, "Where do I belong? Am I on the right path?" Personality-wise, she does not suffer fools easily and that's something I've got, too. [Laughs] I believe everybody has a brain, but when they act like they don't, I'm just like, "Stop it!" That's something I've always had in common with Amy.

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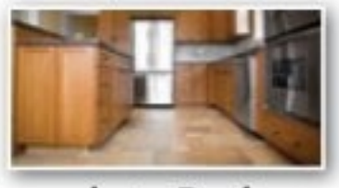

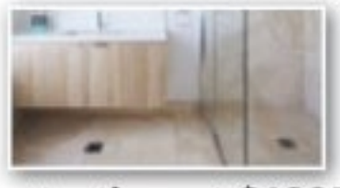

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Musical instruments from the region include this oud. ALL PHOTOS: THOMAS STANLEY

The timeliness of Penn Museum's new exhibit, "Cultures in the Crossfire: Stories From Syria and Iraq," is sadly apparent immediately upon entering the gallery. The first item on display is not, as one would assume from a museum of archaeology and anthropology, an ancient artifact. Instead, it's a three-screen video installation depicting nests made of sticks being repeatedly set aflame and allowed to burn.

The piece, according to artist Issam Kourbaj, is a response to air strikes killing Syrian civilians, an idea that couldn't help but resonate less than 24 hours after the U.S. launched a missile strike against a Syrian airfield.

A first for Penn Museum, the Syrian-born, U.K.-based Kourbaj has created a series of "art interventions" laced throughout "Cultures in the Crossfire," which examines the destruction of cultural heritage in war-torn regions. The artist's intention, Kourbaj explained at a preview of the exhibit, was to plant an idea in the minds of visitors: "What is the future of my past?"

Documentary footage of a mosque bombed by the Assad regime and a 3,000-year-old Assyrian palace destroyed by ISIS provides a glimpse of what is happening to irreplaceable sites and artifacts across the

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The exhibit considers what's at stake when cultural heritage is destroyed by war.

conflict-torn Middle East. "Cultures in the Crossfire" attempts to bring those ancient cultures and their long-lasting but threatened traditions to life. The region's identity as the "cradle of civilization" is represented by a collection of centuries-old texts on science, mathematics and music; its religious diversity by a Torah scroll, a Quran frontispiece and a Christian lamp placed in close proximity.

"These artifacts have been chosen carefully to reflect the stories of these two countries, lands of both rich culture and diverse peoples," says Salam Al Kuntar, the exhibit's Syrian-born lead curator. Richard Leventhal, executive director of Penn's Cultural Heritage Center, adds his hope that the show "highlights not only the histories of Iraq and Syria, and not only what's going on today, but also the potential future of the region."

A set of first- and second-century CE funerary portraits from Palmyra

Kourbaj summed up his desires for the show by holding up a bar of Aleppo soap, which has been made from olive oil and laurel in the Syrian city for centuries and is the basis of one of his moving "interventions." Thinking of the materials turned to art and then destroyed, he reminisces, "My mother used to pray for me to touch the worthless and make it priceless. What would be priceless for me is for visitors not to wash their hands of this struggle and instead, reflect upon the cultural heritage of Aleppo and Syria."

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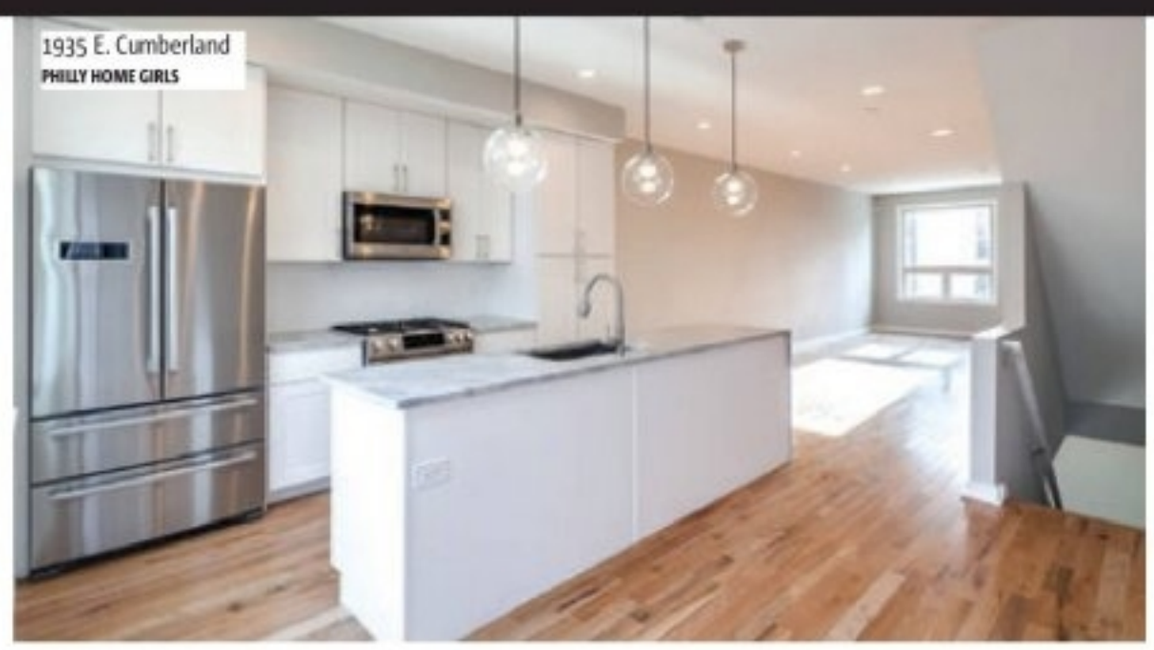
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The city is changing fast.

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When did Philly suddenly become a boom town? Less than a decade ago, in the wake of the real estate crisis, construction ground to a halt, with planned projects languishing for years, some never to be completed.

Recently, though, something happened, first in emerging neighborhoods like Northern Liberties, where low prices and mortgage defaults presented opportunities to developers, who gobbled up tear-downs and vacant lots in preparation for new — often luxury — buildings. Then, in the blink of an eye, development projects were everywhere. Some were high-profile renovations like the former Divine Lorraine Hotel — once an empty eyesore on North Broad, now a swank new apartment building. Others, such as the hotly contested Jewelers Row tower; a $19 million plan for Yards' Brewery in Spring Garden; and a proposed complex around North Philly's Amtrak Station still have a lot of hurdles to clear before being realized. The fast and furious pace makes it hard to keep track of the players, so here's your scorecard.

Center City

Across from The Gallery (itself under renovation), most of a city block was razed to make way for a new mixed-use development. East Market — bounded by Market, Chestnut, 11th and 12th streets — will feature three buildings, including two new residential towers atop a retail base, as well as office space in the renovated Family Court Building. Announced tenants include Mom's Organic Market, Iron Hill Brewery and Design Within Reach. Ludlow and Clover streets, formerly service corridors, will be open to traffic, and a midblock pedestrian street will run between Market and Chestnut. Peter Angelides, a principal with Econsult Solutions Inc. who also teaches urban infrastructure at UPenn's Fels Institute of Government, calls the project exciting. "It gets all the urban-design fundamentals right. It's got mixed use, ground-floor retail, pedestrian orientation, small blocks and underground parking," he says.

Other notable projects underway in the area include a residential high rise at 1213 Walnut St., nicknamed Fergie Tower in honor of the adjacent pub; and Brook Lenfest's W/Element hotel project at 15th and Chestnut.

South Philly

This winter, builders broke ground on Lincoln Square at the northwest corner of Broad and Washington. Hyped by Alterra Property Group — which is developing the property with MIS Capital LLC — as a southern anchor for the Avenue of the Arts, Lincoln Square could very well be transforma-

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tive for the surrounding neighborhood. The mixed-use development will feature 322 apartments, a two-story retail space and more than 450 parking spots. The design incorporates a historic train depot — where President Lincoln's body once lay in state — now housing a supermarket. The project received rave reviews from neighbors, who had universally panned plans for developer Bart Blatstein's competing project across the street (since, apparently abandoned). Completion is expected in late 2018.

Fishtown

Developer Roland Kassis, whose Domani Developers LLC helped change the face of Fishtown with Frankford Hall and La Colombe's flagship location, is at it again. He's building a boutique hotel at 1220 Frankford Ave. designed by architect Morris Adjmi, and a new rendering shows a rooftop pool with an overhang. "It's completely different than anything else in the city," says Keith Adams, associate broker with Elfant Wissahickon Realtors — Adams Group. According to Adams, the scorching-hot neighborhood is buzzing with new development, including another new hotel, this one from trendy restaurant Wm. Mulherin's Sons at 1355 Front St.

"Front Street's changing," he says. "It used to be blighted," but now residential properties are joining the businesses along this still-gritty corridor. Adams cites two condos — boasting bridge and skyline views — which are expected to be listed soon, the first new residential properties to be sold on the street best known for the El that runs along it. Adams says the El is "a positive for people who like city living and the busy New York-like vibe of the area." He also reveals that one of the last large parcels of land in Fishtown on the corner of Marlborough and Wildey streets is being developed. Marlborough Development LLC will soon break ground on Fishtown Village, a gated community featuring three- and four-bedroom/3.5 bath townhouses with roof decks and parking. Prices are expected to start at $650,000-$700,000.

East Kensington

In neighboring East Kensington, a building boom is also underway. A partnership between United Makers and Philly Home Girls is developing SuiteRow, 25 homes along East Cumberland and Jasper streets. Jeanne Whipple, team leader with Philly Home Girls at Coldwell Banker Preferred, says the development has been popular with buyers. "Its well-thought-out interior layouts focus on occupants' use, lifestyle and enjoyment over the long-term. The houses aren't just pretty to look at, they incorporate light, air, technology, energy conservation, telecommuting and family expansion," Whipple adds.

Another interesting project in the neighborhood is a gated townhouse community, Avenue 30, being developed by Riverwards Group on the 2600 blocks of Amber and Collins streets. Designed by KJO Architects, each home comes with off-street parking and a full-footprint roof deck, reports Riverwards' managing partner, Mo Rushdy. Phase-one construction will be complete by the end of 2017, and the presale pricing of $339,000-$369,000 is slated to see a 10 percent-15 percent upward adjustment in April. Rushdy and co-managing partner Larry McKnight are looking to keep buyers' mortgage payments around an affordable $1,500 per month, something that's assisted by a 10-year tax abatement. Nearby at 2621 Frankford Ave., the former Woods Brothers Building Materials site is slated to become a massive mixed-use development, Woods Square, with retail and 178 residential rental units. Rushdy says the Frankford Corridor is changing fast: "Over the coming 12 months, this area will be completely transformed."

Here's an example of some of the sleek and modern condos on Front Street. KEITH ADAMS

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Translators, not just players, are living the major league dream

Odubel Herrera (leaping) is, like Diego Ettedgui, from Venezuela. GETTY IMAGES

Spanish-language translator Diego Ettedgui plays a crucial role in the Phillies clubhouse.

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There is more than one way to make it to the big leagues.

For Diego Ettedgui, playing baseball in his native Venezuela was his passion, but it wasn't his future.

"I could catch the ball, I had good range as a center fielder, I was fast, but I could not hit for my life," Ettedgui said with a grin. "I joke with my family and friends; as a kid I wanted to be a baseball player. Obviously I didn't have the skills to do it but I tell my parents, 'I made it, I told you I'd make it.' There are other ways to make it to the big leagues."

After a 2016 rule made by Major League Baseball required a designated translator in every locker room, Ettedgui is living his dream.

He travels with the team. He hangs out with the team. And he talks to the team — in his native language.

And he is able to — most importantly — help a slew of talented young Spanish-speaking ballplayers better acquaint themselves with living in a non-Spanish-speaking country.

"I felt pressure when I started because I was under the impression that I had to say exactly every single word the players said, but it doesn't have to be that way," the 29-year-old said. "As long as you get the message across, that's the important thing."

Ettedgui got his start as a student at Northeastern in Boston, covering the Red Sox for a Spanish-language publication.

"When I would go to cover Red Sox games, before they had translators, an American journalist would ask a question to a Latino guy and I had to translate it," he recalled.

Looking just as excited to be in an MLB locker room as any prospect or rookie, Ettedgui transitioned from his job with the Red Sox to various other Spanish-related sports media jobs, most formative of these translating an entire TV show from Spanish to English every football season (for a show called "Totally Patriots").

More than 24 percent of major leaguers on rosters this year come from predominantly Spanish-speaking countries, with 11 Phillies hailing from Central and South America.

"I love it," Ettedgui said. "I love it because not only are the guys Latino, but six of them are from Venezuela where I am from."

When the Phillies start to compete for World Series titles once again, it will be names like Odubel Herrera, Maikel Franco and Cesar Hernandez popping champagne corks.

And translating their jubilation — he hopes — will be Ettedgui, right along with them.

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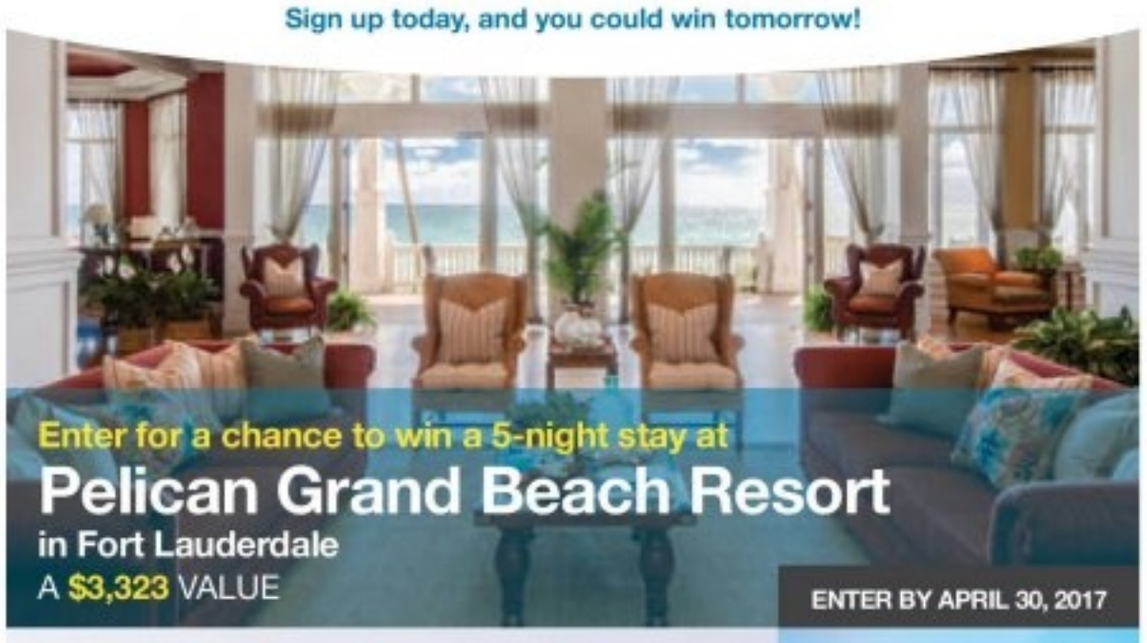

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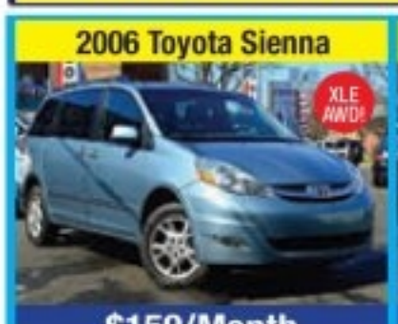

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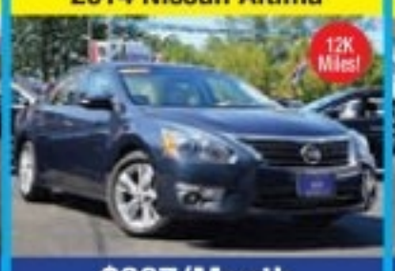

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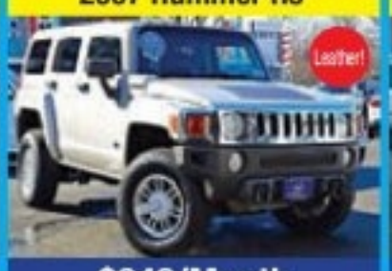

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Saric, McConnell grinding out 76ers' final games

A depleted Sixers squad is drawing inspiration from two of its banged up role players.

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Dario Saric is averaging 12.8 points per game this season. GETTY IMAGES

In a perfect world, Dario Saric would be sitting on the bench in a suit.

In a perfect world, T.J. McConnell would be sitting right beside Saric.

But these are far from perfect times for the 76ers. They're banged up — more banged up than any team in the NBA — and they need to gut out two more regular season games to complete the 2016-17 season.

Saric is dealing with plantar fasciitis and has a 24-minute restriction. McConnell turned his ankle last Thursday against the Chicago Bulls but is determined to finish the season.

These two players embody everything about the Sixers — tough, determined, willful, gutsy. The fans may not immediately notice, but they should.

With Joel Embiid, Ben Simmons, Jerryd Bayless, Jahlil Okafor, Sergio Rodriguez and Robert Covington all out for the rest of the season, Saric and McConnell are actually needed. In a perfect world, they'd be out, too.

"I think it's a mental fatigue as much as physical because it is so crippling to him to restrict him to 24 minutes," Sixers coach Brett Brown said of Saric. "It is so disheartening. He goes in and he plays his heart out. I experienced this with Joel Embiid. It's not like their intentions are wrong, it's like somebody just gorging at a buffet because I am starving and the restaurant is going to close and I know I'm going out. They're mindful of the clock."

McConnell earned his way on the Sixers roster two years ago despite a glut of guards. He worked and worked and worked, and now he's cemented himself as a legitimate backup point guard, good enough to place ninth in the league in steals. Good enough to be talked about in trade rumors. Good enough to demand respect from every one of his teammates.

"If I'm good enough to go, I don't care how many games are left, I'm not going to abandon this team," said McConnell, who was undrafted two years ago from the University of Arizona. "We all know how many people are hurt so I'm not going to sit out the rest of the year. If it's sore, I'm going to play through it. And I'm going to be smart about it on off days. You've just got to fight through it anyway you can, scratch, claw. The finish line is right there. Just take care of our bodies on days like tomorrow."

Saric and McConnell are wounded, but they won't go to the infirmary. They're going to be on the court, proving to the city what toughness is all about.

"A guy like Dario is a competitor, so he wants to be out there as much as he can," McConnell said. "We all know it's bothering him, but the fact that he's out there playing as much as he does just shows the guy he is. We love and respect him for it."

The fan base should love and respect this group. This 28-52 team — they have two games left against the Indiana Pacers at home and the New York Knicks on the road — is giving everything it has. In every way.

"I try to come back and push but what can you do," Saric said. "It's hard the way things are going, but what can you do? You just play. I know in my heart I need to play. So I do it."

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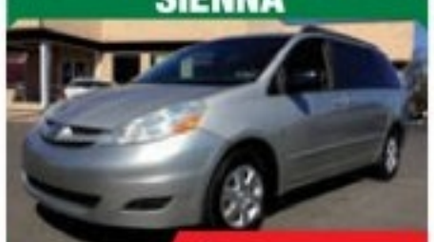
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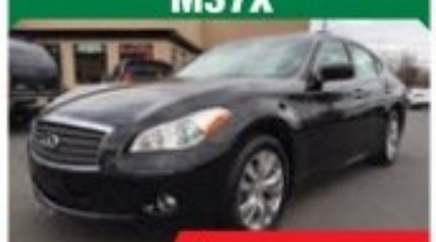
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Stanley Cup playoffs predictions

A glance at who we expect to still be standing in June.

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The NHL's Stanley Cup playoffs are the modern-day version of an ancient Greek epic. It's a long, narrative story filled with heroes, most of the time bearded ones - who fight grueling battle upon grueling battle to reach the peak of hockey immortality that is Lord Stanley's Cup. Wednesday adds another chapter to this athletic epic as 16 teams set forth to win the honor of seeing their names engraved on one of the most famous trophies in the world.

For the casual viewer or for the fan just being introduced to this version of poetry in motion, below provides a quick crash course into this year's NHL postseason:

BEST FIRST-ROUND SERIES

San Jose Sharks vs. Edmonton Oilers

In terms of rivalries, this matchup does not jump off the page despite these two finishing just four points apart in the Western Conference's Pacific Division.

In fact, these two teams have played each other just once in the postseason and that was 11 years ago. Edmonton prevailed in the Western Conference semifinals in six games on their way to a Stanley Cup Final appearance, which they lost to the Carolina Hurricanes.

The Oilers have been irrelevant ever since, failing to make the playoffs at all. That was, until the savior came.

Edmonton captain and young gun Connor McDavid, playing in just his second NHL season, has led the Oilers to a 103-point year, their best mark since recording 106 during the 1986-87 season.

It was the third of five Cups won over a seven-year stretch.

Back to 2016-17 and McDavid has Oilers fans reminiscing about Wayne Gretzky as he led the league with 70 assists and 100 points. But he is just one of a multitude of talented stars on both sides of the ice.

In fact, the star power is off the charts in this series.

McDavid, Leon Draisaitl and Patrick Maroon combined for 86 goals this season while veteran Milan Lucic brings a wealth of playoff experience to this series.

Edmonton will need every bit of it as it will meet the defending Western Conference champion Sharks.

Much more seasoned compared to the Oilers, the Sharks boast one of the greatest passers of this generation in future Hall of Famer Joe Thornton, the best scoring defenseman in the league in Brent Burns and grizzled All-Stars like Joe Pavelski, Logan Couture and Patrick Marleau.

That talent and skill set up a dream for highlight seekers everywhere. Now just wait until the blood starts to boil like in any other playoff series.

We like Nicklas Backstrom and the Capitals to raise Lord Stanley's Cup in June. GETTY IMAGES

DARK HORSE TO WIN THE CUP

Columbus Blue Jackets

Is it fair to label a team that recorded 108 points this season a dark horse?

Well, when you finish third in your division and 10 points behind the first-place Washington Capitals, have only made two postseason appearances and never won a playoff series in your first 15 years, then yes.

That's exactly what the Columbus Blue Jackets are, especially in a first-round series against the defending Stanley Cup champion Pittsburgh Penguins.

The Blue Jackets are as well-rounded a team as you can find in the NHL, though, and it all starts from the back.

Columbus allowed the second-least amount of goals behind the Capitals with just 195. Goaltender Sergei Bobrovksy should be the frontrunner for the Vezina this season with a 41-17-5 record and a goals against average of just 2.06.

The defense in front of him is even more solid. Remarkably, not one of the 10 blue liners that dressed for the Blue Jackets this season had a plus/minus rating in the red.

On the offensive end, Cam Atkinson continues to develop into a premier scorer with a career-high 35 goals this year while Nick Foligno (26) and Brandon Saad (24) provide solid secondary scoring.

PREDICTIONS BY ROUND

First round

- Montreal Canadiens def. New York Rangers
- Boston Bruins def. Ottawa Senators
- Washington Capitals def. Toronto Maple Leafs
- Columbus Blue Jackets def. Pittsburgh Penguins
- Chicago Blackhawks def. Nashville Predators
- Minnesota Wild def. St. Louis Blues
- Anaheim Ducks def. Calgary Flames
- San Jose Sharks def. Edmonton Oilers

Conference semifinals

- Montreal def. Boston
- Washington def. Columbus
- Minnesota def. Chicago
- San Jose def. Anaheim

Conference finals

- Washington def. Montreal
- Minnesota def. San Jose

Stanley Cup Final

- Washington def. Minnesota

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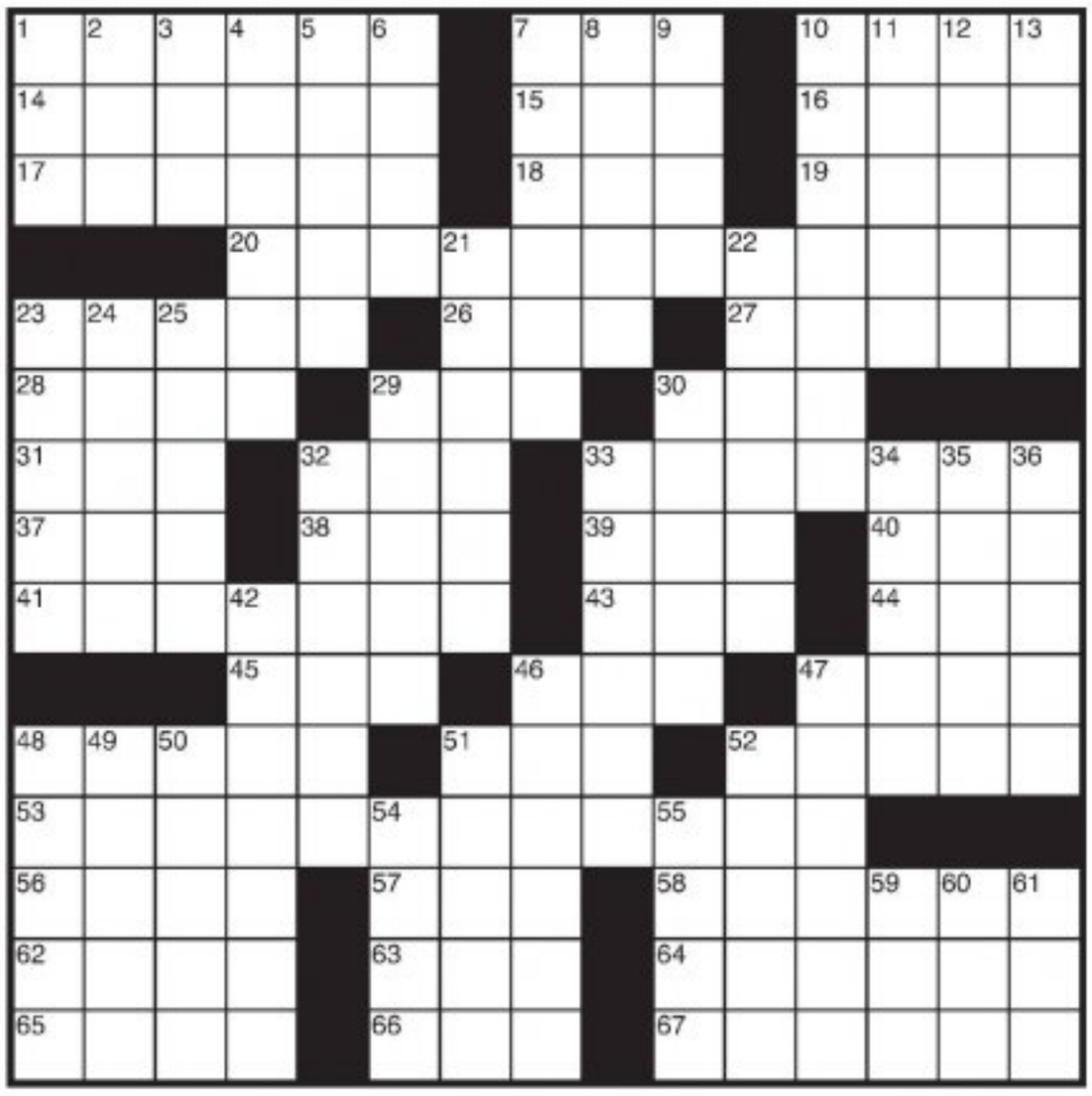

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Aries Express your feelings and know where you stand. A change in the way you treat someone will make a difference to your arrangement. Choose moderation.

Taurus Emotions will take control, giving rise to a number of issues that you will no longer be able to ignore. Speak up and follow your words with action. Ask for assistance.

Gemini A partnership will offer surprising opportunities to get ahead. Make an unexpected change to the way you present yourself and your abilities.

Cancer Share, get involved and enjoy interacting with others. Do things your way and don't fear taking a unique approach to an old idea. Aim for perfection.

Leo Emotional discord is best handled with patience. If you don't agree with a someone, continue down your own path without wasting time trying to persuade others.

Virgo Gather facts and knowledge that will help you make a smart decision regarding partnerships you are contemplating making or have already formed.

Libra If you approach money matters differently, you will avoid being taken advantage of. Financial and legal information will help you counter a potential loss.

Scorpio Give your imagination the boost it needs to forge into unfamiliar territory. Discovery will be the spark that allows you to turn small ideas into new possibilities.

Sagittarius A chance to watch from the sidelines will give you the insight you need to determine who is and isn't being honest with you. Trust your intuition.

Capricorn A discussion with someone you feel emotionally close to will help you iron out any foreseeable problems before they have a chance to develop.

Aquarius An emotional moment can spin out of control. Keep an open mind and refuse to let anger take control. Concentrate on bringing about positive changes.

Pisces Use your intelligence and experience to develop an idea you want to pursue. Exploring new possibilities will result in an opportunity for you to excel. EUGENIA LAST

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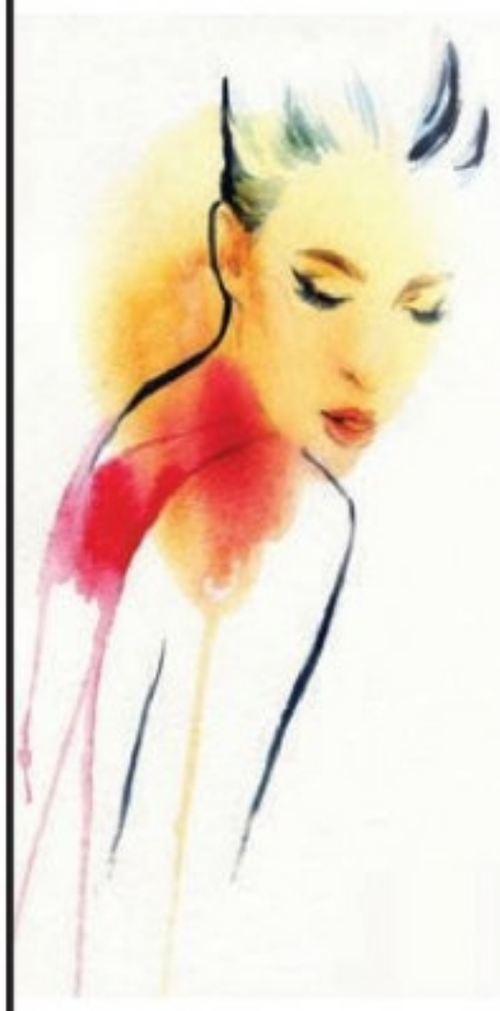

Does your child suffer from eczema?

Hassman Research Institute is looking for subjects who have eczema to participate in a clinical research study evaluating an experimental topical medication.

8 visits over approximately 10 weeks

Ages between 12 and 17 years old • Compensation: up to $675

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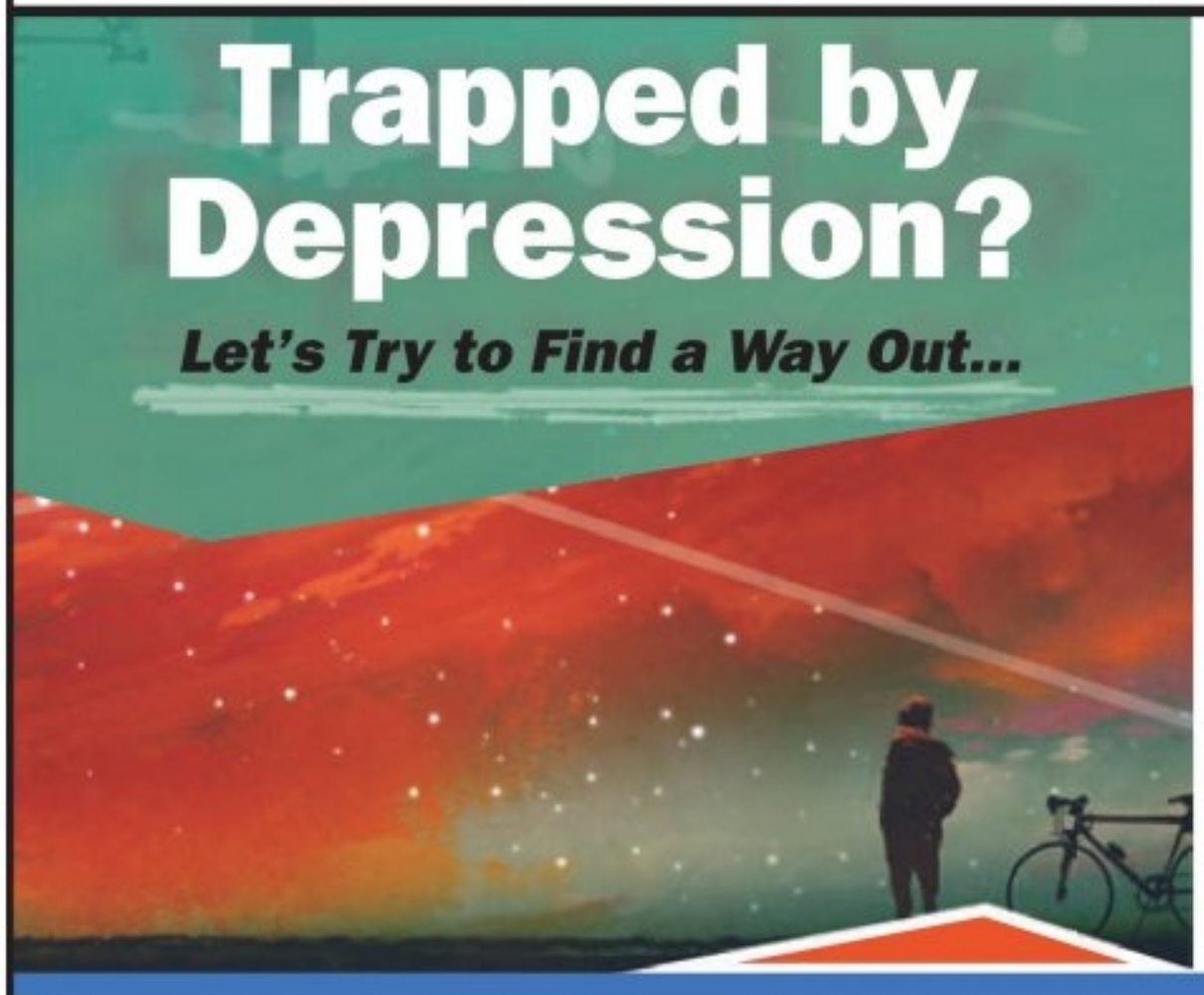

Trapped by Depression?

Let's Try to Find a Way Out...

A clinical research study is currently evaluating an investigational drug for its safety and effectiveness in the treatment of Major Depressive Disorder.

IF YOU CAN ANSWER ***YES*** TO THESE QUESTIONS, YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE.

- ☑ Are you 18 – 65 years old?
- ☑ Not getting adequate results with your current antidepressant therapy?
- ☑ Diagnosed with Major Depressive Disorder?

LET'S TALK, CONTACT US TODAY TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THIS STUDY.

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